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I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

HUMAN PROTEINS HAVING SECRETORY SIGNAL SEQUENCES AND DNAs ENCODING THESE PROTEINS

the specification of which

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is attached hereto (filing under 35 U.S.C. 371 from International Application PCT/JP97/03239 filed on 12 September 1997).

was filed on March 10, 1999 as Application Serial No. 09/254,760 and was amended on _____.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information of which I am aware which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1.56(a).

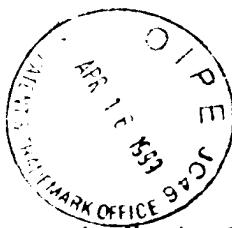
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Priority Foreign Application(s)

| Number | Country | Filing Date | Priority Claimed |
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| 8-243060 | Japan | 13 September 1996 | Yes |

I hereby declare that I made the invention described in this application in the United States, or on the date of the filing of this application, or in a foreign country, or in both countries, in accordance with Title 35, United States Code, Section 119, or that I have otherwise a right to file this application.

I hereby declare that I acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1.56(a) which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:



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